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CIA ACCUSED OF INHIBITING INVESTIGATION OF JUSTICE DOUGLAS

JOSEPH McCAFFREY: Members of the House Judiciary Committee said today that their inquiry into charges against Supreme Court Justice Douglas has been handicapped by the Justice Department and the CIA.

Jack Brooks of Texas, who's a subcommittee member, said the Justice Department supplied some information that really didn't amount to anything and hasn't answered requests for additional data. Brooks said that they don't like him, but they don't have anything on him and they're afraid to say so.

The subcommittee's mandate expired on August the 24th while the House was in recess. Chairman Cellar refused to say whether it would seek an extension, recommend dropping the investigation or propose some other course.

He said the subcommittee will report to the full Judiciary Committee at its next meeting, probably within the next two weeks.